

November 16, 2018

United States Environmental Protection Agency
Region 8
Class V UIC Program
1595 Wynkoop Street
Denver, CO 80202-1129

**RE: Stillwater Mining Company
Benbow Exploration Decline
EPA File #MT50000 - 10110**

To Whom It May Concern:

This letter is being submitted to fulfill the requirements of the Class V UIC Program "authorization by rule" for EPA File #MT50000 – 10110 (Stillwater Mining Company, Benbow Exploration Decline). Stillwater is providing notice of a change in the flowrate estimate in the UIC application. Given current conditions, Stillwater believes the flowrate will be 300 gpm up to 900 gpm to accommodate higher inflows of groundwater including seasonal fluctuations. This change in flowrate will not adversely impact groundwater quality; the injected water will continue to meet drinking water standards.

If you have any questions or require additional information regarding this notice, please call me at 406-328-8529.

Sincerely,



David Johnson
Environmental Manager
Stillwater Mine

cc: Mr. Randy Weimer, Sibanye-Stillwater Corporate Environmental Manager
Mrs. Heather McDowell, Sibanye-Stillwater VP Legal, Env., and Governmental Affairs

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